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Press Release

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HKU Faculty of Education ranks 7th in the Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Rankings by Subject 2020

As announced on March 4, 2020, the Faculty of Education at the University of Hong Kong is ranked seventh globally in the latest QS World University Rankings by Subject 2020. The Faculty has been listed in the top ten of the QS rankings by subject for six years in a row.

Four performance indicators were used to assess the universities, with weightings recalibrated for each subject. The indicators and their weightings for the education subject are: 1) academic reputation (50%); 2) employer reputation (10%); 3) citations per paper (20%); and 4) H-index (20%), which measures both the productivity and impact of a scholar's publications. The Faculty achieved an overall score of 86.1, scoring strongly on all the criteria.

The Faculty has a long history of more than 100 years in preparing teachers, initially as the Department for the Training of Teachers within the Faculty of Arts back in 1917. It has evolved greatly and today serves as the premier teacher education institution in Hong Kong. The Faculty's exceptionally high quality of research and teaching leads to consistently outstanding performance in various world university rankings. The Faculty is also ranked first in Hong Kong, reaffirming its leading position in education both globally and locally.

Professor A. Lin Goodwin, Dean of the Faculty, remarked, "We are very pleased with the results as they demonstrate that our research and teaching are highly appreciated. This recognition also indicates that we are on the right track in education and teacher training. Our continuing success is thanks to the consistent effort of all the staff members, and our students and alumni who have contributed handsomely to research, learning and teaching as well as knowledge exchange. Even though this academic year has been challenging and full of uncertainties, we are certain about two things: our faculty members are determined to continue striving for excellence, and to be leaders in education. In the coming years, I am confident that the Faculty will be even more successful in improving community life through education, and cultivating competent and dedicated graduates."

For more information, please visit the Faculty website (<u>https://web.edu.hku.hk</u>) and the following social media platforms:

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